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THE ECLIPSE IN HISTORY.

About four hundred years ago an eclipse in this latitude like that which occurred yesterday was the means of saving Christopher Columbus and his crew from death by starvation. The natives of one of the West India Islands had refused to bring food to the discoverers, and the latter were too worn and ill to go in search of it. Knowing that an eclipse was to occur, Columbus threatened that unless food was brought him the anger of his God would darken the source of day. The natives jested, but the darkness came, and after that there was no lack of provision for the strangers from the East. A useful book might be written upon the historic influence of the eclipse in all countries. Possibly the phenomenon which Columbus made such cunning use of was the means of saving to mankind the vast results of his expedition to the new world, thus giving civilization its widest heritage and liberty its long-sought refuge and asylum. Progress, though fostered by this event, has, nevertheless, been hindered by the effect of the same phenomenon on untutored minds. Astrology held sway for centuries because of the fear inspired by the comets that blazed in space and the eclipses that blackened the discs of the great heavenly bodies; and the wildest superstitions still cluster in savage countries about the origin and cause of both these manifestations of Divine law and power. Religious history, secular history and the annals of scientific progress give frequent illustration of the constructive or destructive effect of eclipses upon various phases of human development; and as for mythology, it is permeated with the tradition and influence of such events as came to pass yesterday in so commonplace a fashion, as if for the passing amusement of people with bias of smoked glass and for the pleasure of mathematical astronomers who took pride in the accuracy of their calculations. The eclipse cut a great figure in the early history of the Orient, and some one of its political legacies may be seen in the design of the Chinese banner which, on gala days, is displayed over the housetops of Honolulu. A great dragon is reaching up to swallow a red ball. The sphere represents the sun or moon—perhaps either—and the scaly beast of prey is the phantom which the Chinese conjured up to account for what seemed to be the expression of a physical contact between the powers of the air. Undoubtedly, said the Manchurian sages, the sun is being swallowed by some mighty creature like the lizards of the stream that gulp down wild fowl and the bodies of children; and, as that childish fancy grew, it gave a symbol to an empire and inspired the literature and religious contemplations of a great part of the human race. Five thousand years of history have been swayed, influenced, even moulded and governed by a phenomenon so simple that the nineteenth-century child understands it and turns from it to play with his hoop and ball.

GIVE THE LAD A LIFT. A writer in one of our contemporaries is unkind enough to sneer at little Louis Morningstar, the twelve-year-old globe-trotter, whom this paper, at the instance of one of the editors of the San Francisco Chronicle, has brought to the favorable notice of the citizens of Honolulu. To gratuitously hurt the feelings of a bright and honest lad who has travelled the world alone and by the exercise of native wit since he was a child of eight, is an act from which a gentleman would recoil. Morningstar is a boy of talent, integrity and enterprize whom people in many countries have been glad to encourage and assist. We should like to have him take away none but pleasant memories of his visit here, and that he may do so the late Queen and Mrs. Skerrett have shown him friendly hospitality and set an example to all others. Though he has not spoken of the matter, nor asked for aid, the way is open for getting him a new suit of clothes, a hat and some fresh linen—all of which he seems to need, and which will be procured for him with such small contributions of cash as may be sent in trust to the STAR.

WHILE nothing seems to be known here about the insurance on the Miowera, it is to be hoped that there is enough of it to save the Canadian company from any crippling loss. Our people are generally interested in the welfare of the new line, not only because it has opened up a fresh market for their products, but for the reason that it is a means of relief from an arrogant sea-going monopoly. From the nature of its connections, the Vancouver company can hardly be bought off from doing Hawaiian business, and this is a good reason why the people of the Islands should sustain and encourage it. The STAR congratulates the Government for having been of financial service to the Miowera's owners in the present emergency.

If the receipts of the United States Government barely meet expenditures it is difficult to see where the tariff can be reduced and the needed revenue obtained. A higher tax might be levied on whisky and tobacco, but that would be taking the tariff off foreign exports and putting it on some home industries which engage the tender solicitude of several millions of voters in both parties. That, of course, will not be done. At this distance it looks as if the committal of the Democracy to tariff reform is pretty well reversed by circumstances and that economic matters in the United States will go on under Cleveland pretty much as they did under Harrison.

The work which the New York Sun is doing to educate the people of the United States, upon matters of Hawaiian politics, is clearly and gratefully recognized by all the friends of good government on this group. The Sun has never wavered from the start in its fealty to the Annexationist cause, and has met and wrestled with every issue that has been raised against it. It is apparent that no abler work has been done in American journalism of late than that which the appeal of the American colony here has evoked from the newspaper which the genius and patriotism of Charles A. Dana has raised to such distinction.

The recognition of Manley Hopkins as Hawaiian Consul-General to Great Britain precedes, we have no doubt, a formal acknowledgment by the British Ministry of the legal status of the Provisional Government. Now that Russia has led the way for European powers, England cannot afford to be slow in the same path. Obviously, recognition is in the air.

BLAINE ON HAWAII.

The following words were penned by our late Secretary of States, James G. Blaine, as far back as 1881, in a communication to the American Minister to Hawaii, Mr. James M. Comly: "Hawaii is a part of the productive and commercial system of the American States. So far as the staple growth and imports of the islands go, the reciprocity treaty makes them practically members of an American Zollverein, an outlying district of the State of California. In the same document Mr. Blaine referred to Hawaiian independence, saying that it "entirely depends on the perpetuity of the rule of the native race as an independent government, and that imperilled, the whole framework of our relations to Hawaii is changed, if not destroyed." It can only be destroyed by a perpetuation of misrule under the domination of Mr. Claus Spreckels, who seems to think that his interests are greater than those of the United States.

Again Mr. BLAINE: "The decline of the native Hawaiian element in the presence of newer and sturdier growths, must be accepted as an inevitable fact, in view of the teachings of ethnological history. And as retrogression in the development of the islands cannot be admitted without serious detriment to American interests in the North Pacific, the problem of a replenishment of the vital forces of Hawaii presents itself for solution in an American sense, not in an Asiatic or a British sense."

Could Mr. Blaine have foreseen the unholy alliance between Mr. Spreckels and Mr. Theophilus Davies, the representative of British trade interests and the agent of the Canadian-Pacific system, how he would have lashed these British-Chinese schemers into subjection! Once more Mr. Blaine: "There is little doubt that were the Hawaiian Islands, by annexation or distinct protection, a part of the territory of the Union, their fertile resources for the growth of rice and sugar would not only be controlled by American capital, but so profitable a field of labor would attract intelligent workers thither from the United States."

Mr. Blaine would have suppressed this Chinese slave colony, and would have made the islands attractive to intelligent American workers. —New York Sun.

FLOATING IN THE CHANNEL.

The Body of George Makiio Found by a Boatman.

The body of George Makiio, the native who was drowned in the bay last Sunday afternoon, was found this afternoon and brought to the Police Station. Licensed boatman Keloa was taking a passenger out to the wreck, at about 2:30 P. M., and when well in the channel towards the M. W. he saw something floating near the surface which he took for a coal diver. Investigation proved it to be the body of Makiio. The corpse was well preserved but the face was mutilated and presented a horrible appearance.

LIGHT FROM THE "SUN."

SPRECKELS AND DAVIES IN ALLIANCE.

The Anglo-German Compact in Hawaiian Politics—Busties and Meddlers Here.

The following correspondence appears in the New York Sun of recent date:

SAN FRANCISCO, September 11.—The recent deportation for the second time on a German war vessel of an aspirant to the throne of Samoa recalls events that led up to the first such occurrence. Like politics elsewhere, the local contention was for office and power, but the figures upon the South Sea Island chess board represented the sentiments of a part of Europe, where the wires were pulled that played the puppets.

The nineteenth century has witnessed the gradual acquisition of independent territory throughout the world till now there is but little land left that has not been acquired by one or the other of the great European powers. Dawdling on the part of the British Foreign Office led to its loss of a part of New Guinea, which was promptly seized by Germany. The acquisition and occupation of New Caledonia as a penal settlement by France induced a quicker territorial looting of the independent islands of the southern Pacific, and less than ten years ago group after group were occupied by England, France or Germany.

These seizures, for they were nothing else, created little or no comment. They occurred at regular intervals, and it was supposed that the plans had been prearranged. Then came the Samoan imbroglio, with Germany's high-handed and autocratic interference. Germany controls Samoan trade, what there is of it, and England made no resistance. Had it not been for the vigorous intervention of Mr. Sewell, the American Consul, who was backed up by our Government, it is safe to say that the German flag would to-day be flying over the Samoan archipelago.

This was a part of the tripartite arrangement. It excited more attention on the Pacific coast than elsewhere, and a semi-official assurance was reported and never contradicted from Downing street, that England would agree to the German acquisition of Samoa, while Germany would not oppose England's acquisition of Hawaii, which was to come later. Thus did the shadows forecast the coming events, which are even of more importance now when we read of what is occurring in France, Germany and Russia, liable at any moment to disrupt the peace of Europe.

The Hawaiian Anglo-German alliance is perhaps even of more direct importance. It is not many years since Mr. Claus Spreckels, who was born in Germany, and Mr. Theophilus Davies, who was born in England, and both of whom have large sugar plantation interests there, were at open warfare. Mr. Spreckels had long dominated Hawaii and Hawaiian interests, so much so that he became known as the "power behind the Hawaiian throne," and was even called "King Claus." His acquisition of power was galling to the British Consul, Mr. Theophilus Davies, and to his superior, Major Wodehouse, the British Minister Resident. The latter, in fact, went so far as to vent his spleen by refusing to make an official call upon the American Minister, Mr. R. M. Daggett, when he arrived at Honolulu, and only performed this act of simple civility shortly before our Minister retired from his post.

Mr. Spreckels became so overbearing in his demeanor and so dictatorial in his business that the planters gradually came to resent his methods. The result was that many plantation accounts were transferred to another house in San Francisco and half the sugar product of the islands was sold to another refinery than that of Spreckels. One to benefit very largely by these changes was Mr. Theophilus Davies, the British Vice-Consul, who secured many of the plantation local agencies that were formerly held by Mr. Spreckels. Then war was waged there between England and Germany, notwithstanding the Anglo-German understanding that was said to exist in Europe.

But now we find both Mr. Theophilus Davies and Mr. Claus Spreckels working hand in hand to restore monarchy in the Hawaiian Islands. Mr. Davies is the temporary guardian of Princess Kaiulani, the heir apparent to the throne of Hawaii, and still retains his business interests and his plantation agency interests, though living in England. Mr. Theophilus Davies is, moreover, the agent, or rather his firm in Honolulu is, of the Canadian-Pacific corporation. Mr. Spreckels has told us that he supports the tottering throne of Hawaii because he will not otherwise be able to get cheap labor. If the islands are annexed to the United States, cheap labor contracts must be cancelled, and his polygot plantation population will be enabled to demand the wages of free men.

Mr. Spreckels is of a versatile disposition. Historians remember that prior to the enactment of our first reciprocity treaty, signed by President Arthur, Mr. Spreckels was a vigorous opponent of the scheme and labored hard to defeat it. But he took his defeat philosophically and turned it to good account. He was one of the first to rush to the Islands and occupy good lands, thus by perseverance, diligence, and a natural aptitude for money making, turning his political defeat into a pecuniary victory. He has had set-backs, it is true, but the gravest now confronts him. He may be compelled to pay higher wages for work! A point that Mr. Spreckels has en-

tirely overlooked, and I am sure that he must have done so unintentionally, is the sugar yield of the Hawaiian plantations. The average yield per acre in cane sugar-growing countries is two tons, perhaps hardly that. But on the Hawaiian Islands plantations yields have been known of ten tons per acre, frequently eight tons, and very often six tons, while the average for all plantations will exceed three tons. This shows a much larger income for Hawaiian cane sugar plantation than for those of other countries, a point upon which Mr. Spreckels has been strangely silent while talking so much about the outgoings.

This only serves to strengthen my opinion of Mr. Spreckels as a business man. He has an eye to the main chance. Now as to Mr. Theophilus Davies. Hitherto the Hawaiian agency of the Canadian Pacific Company has been merely of nominal value. But now we find a line of Australian-Canadian steamers running across the Pacific ocean and touching at Honolulu, which means more business for Mr. Davies' firm. A trans-Pacific cable is also a certainty of the near future, its terminus at this end to be in California, but in Canada. Free Australian wool for Canadian mills will find a freight traffic, and as a tourist-round-the-world route nothing could be better than a trip via Canada. It would enable the tourist to take travel on Canadian railroads and take passage on the English steamers rather than on American railroads, and by the steamers of Messrs. Spreckels.

Mr. Claus Spreckels opposes annexation solely, so he says, on the ground of wages. Mr. Theophilus Davies says nothing about wages, but is interested in the heir apparent. The two gentlemen are competitors in trade as plantation agents and as shipping agents for trans-Pacific commerce. Thus we have, for the present, the satisfaction of seeing opposing factors most harmoniously blended in a strong Anglo-German alliance, each with an axe to grind, and each ready to take the trade dollar from the pocket of the other. Mr. Theophilus Davies is a devout churchman. We have never heard what Mr. Claus Spreckels' religion may be. What can the outcome be of such an unholy alliance, an alliance between the church and—Mr. Spreckels? Mr. Theophilus Davies on the one hand and Mr. Claus Spreckels on the other are both busties and meddlers in the national policy of the United States. Uncle Sam should stop their impertinent interference with his affairs and annex the islands. ONE WHO KNOWS.

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